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In response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2006 (Paper No. 20060123), please reconsider the outstanding rejections in the above-identified U.S. patent application in light of the following remarks:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.